HNVF – Spring 2008 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

	QUESTION	ANSWER
1.	What's the difference between the Strategic Work Plan (SWP) and the Allocation Plan?	SWP provides a framework for HNVF, including mission, vision, values, and strategic goals. This is the "big picture." It's is a broad vision that will require a broader network of partners to create healthy neighborhoods. Allocation Plan supports the goals in the SWP by providing a tactical plan (tangible steps) which dictates the eligible services that are fundable by HNVF.
2.	How is HNVF narrowing eligible services?	In previous years, HNVF funded services across the continuum: • Youth: early care, prevention, and intervention • Seniors: prevention, early intervention, intervention, and respite care HNVF will now direct funds to services that support early care and prevention programming for youth and prevention and early intervention programming for seniors.
3.	Is HNVF only funding Prevention type services for Youth and Seniors?	Yes. Evidence-based research shows the benefits of prevention programming particularly when promoting healthy behaviors. Although Intervention programs are important, HNVF will not fund programs that intervene after a problem has been identified. It will fund prevention programs that promote healthy lifestyles earlier on.
4.	When will HNVF implement the SWP and Allocation Plan?	The plans will be officially implemented in July 2009. However, the evaluation system will be applied as of July 2008.
5.	When will HNVF decide/finalize the other outstanding items such as minimum and maximum grant requests, and recruitment policy of leadership and action teams?	Related policies will be established prior to the release of the Request for Qualifications for 2009. (Summer – Fall 2008)
6.	What will be the role of the proposed Policy Team?	The role of this body will be to set policy direction, facilitate interagency collaboration, evaluate emerging trends, and observe the progress of funded agencies.
7.	What is the role of the proposed Technical Team and how often will this group meet?	The role of this body is to implement policy team direction, provide direct services, and contribute to creating healthier children and seniors. It is anticipated that the group will meet quarterly to share information and discuss "what's working."

8. Will all HNVF funded agencies be required to incorporate tobacco-free education, health and fitness into funded programs?	Yes. Promotion of healthy lifestyles (tobacco prevention, health and fitness) will be a general requirement for all future funded agencies. Tobacco prevention education continues to be a permanent component for HNVF funded agencies. HNVF grants are supported with settlement monies from litigation against tobacco companies over decades of allegedly deceitful advertising and illegal marketing of tobacco products aimed at children.
9. How often will an evaluation report of funded agencies be released?	Twice a year. Mid year (spring) and end of the year (summer).
10. What information will be included in the evaluations?	The mid-year evaluation report will include the consultant's analysis of customer satisfaction, performance goals, initial outcome and effectiveness data. The final evaluation report will include an executive summary, general report on funded projects, grantee specific report, and recommendations.
11. What is the relationship of the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee with the HNVF Advisory Committee?	The Ad-Hoc Subcommittee is a group of members appointed by the Chair to address business needs of the Advisory Committee. The Subcommittee is instructed to meet and discuss policies and recommend them to the Advisory Committee. Once the objectives of the Subcommittee have been met the Subcommittee dissolves.
12. Will HNVF funding fluctuate or remain stable every year?	The Office of the State Attorney General forecasts payment to cities and counties. These forecasts have generally been greater than the actual payments received.
13. Will the funding amounts remain the same for FY 2008-09 (rollover year?)	The Advisory Committee will be recommending to the City Council that all current HNVF grantees receive funding at current levels. The City Council has the right to approve or reject this recommendation.